Well, Why Is It?

What kin is the door mat to the door? A step farther. Why is the cat's tall like the earth?

It is fur to the end. What is a waist of time? The middle

of an hour glass. Why does an old maid wear mittens?

To keep off the chap. Why is a doctor never seasick? He is used to see sickness.

What is the board of education? The schoolmaster's shingle.

Why is adoor in the potential mood? It's would, or should be. What sticketh closer than a brother?

A postage stamp, by gum. Why is a tin can tied to a dog's tail like death? It's bound to occur.

Why does a sailor know there's a man in the moon? He has been to sea. Why is the North Pole like an illict whisky manufactory? It is a secret

What is it that will give a cold, cure a cold and pay the doctor's bill? A

draught. What does a man take when he has mean wife? He takes an elixir (he

licks her.) Why is it easy to get in an old man's house? Because his gate is broken and

his locks are few. Why is a man who makes pens very

wiched? He make people steel pens and then says they do write. Why is it dangerous to go out in Spring? Because the trees shoot, the flowers have pistils and the bullrush is

What is the difference between a soldier and a pretty woman? One fac-es the powder and the other powders the face.

What is the difference between a dog's tall and a rich man? One keeps a wagging and the other keeps a car-What is the difference between an

engineer and a school teacher? One trains the mind and the other minds Why is a sheet of writing paper like

a lazy dog? A sheet of writing paper is an ink-lined plain and an inclined plane is a slope up. What is the difference between an apple and a pretty girl? One you squeeze to get cider and the other you get 'side her to squeeze.

CALENDARS ARE QUEER.

Do You Know When the End of the Century Will Come?-A Lot of Information in a Small Space.

The year 1900 will not be a leap year simply because being a hundred years, although it is divisible by four, it is result of it, the reason being the establishment of the Gregorian rule made

The nineteenth century will not end till midnight of Monday, December 31, 1 piece 2 1900, although the old quarrel will probably again be renewed as to what constitutes a century and when it winds up, and thousands will insist on a premature burial of the old century at midnight of December 31, 1899.

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But as a century means 100 years, and the first century could not end till a full 100 years had passed, nor the second till 200 years had passed, etc., it is not logically clear why the nineteenth century should be curtailed and broken off before we have had the full

The 1st of April and 1st of July in any year, and in leap year the 1st of January, fall on the same day of the week. The 1st of September and 1st of De-

cember in any year fall on the same week day. The 1st of January and the first of October in any year fall on the same

week day, except it be a leap year. The 1st of February, of March and of November of any year fall on the same day of the week, unless it be a leap year, when January 1, April 1 and July 1 fall on the same week day. The first of May, first of June and

first of August in any year never fall on the same week day, nor does any of the three ever fall on the same weekday on which any other month in the day on which any other month in the same year begins except in leap year, when the first of February and the first of August fall on the same week day.

To find out what day of the week any date of the century fell, divide the year by 4, and let the remainder go. Add the quotent and the year together, then add 3 more. Divide the result by 7, and the remainder is 0. March 1 of that year was Sunday; if 1, Monday; if 2 Tuesday, and so on.

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For the last century do the same thing, but add 4 instead of 3. 42 the next century add 2 instead.

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Christmas of any ; ear always falls on the same day of the week as the second of January of that year, unless it be a leap war, when it is the same week as the third of January of that

Easter is always the first Sunday afeaster is always the first Sunday ar-ter the full moon that happens on or next after March 21. It is not easy to see how it can occur earlier than March 22 or later than April 25 in any

New Year (January 1) will happen on Sunday but once more during this century; that will be in 1899. In the next century it will occur fourteen times only, as follows: 1905, 1911, 1922, 1928, 1933, 1939, 1950, 1956, 1961, 1967, 1978, 1984, 1989 and 1995.

The intervalls are regular-6-5-6-11, 6-5-6-11-except the interval which includes the one hundreth year that is not a century, when there is a brake— as 1893, 1899, 1905, 1911—when three intervals of six years come together; after that plan sailing till 2001, when the old intervals will occur in regular

There are some very extreme temperance fanatics down in Wayne county, this State. Not many days ago a farmer rescued a youthful skater from drowning in Odell lake, and in order to restore and accelerate circulation and as a preventive from taking cold, gave the boy a liberal drink of whisky from the family jug. Some fanatics heard of this and had the kind hearted farmer arrested and fined \$10 for giving liquor to a minor. It is safe to say that far-mer will fish no more boys out of the lake this winter.

ABOUT 100,000 signatures have been secured to the petitions demanding the government ownership of telegraphs.

OUR STOCK.

Following our usual custom, we are bound not to carry a dollar's worth of Winter goods over, if LOW PRICES will move the goods. Our Motto is:

# Never Carry Goods over from one Season to the other.

The first loss is always the smallest, it will pay you big to lay in a big supply of all the Dry Goods Carpets, Cloaks, Boots and Shoes, and Rubber Boots and Shoes you need for the next year to come. This will be the Greatest Clearance Sale that has ever taken Place in Napoleon; first cost will have nothing to do with this sale. All Winter goods must go and will be sold---first come, first served. not divisible by 400 without a remain- der. This is not the real reason, but a This is a sale that all the women have been looking for. See prices below.

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38 in. English Cashmere

OLORED DRESS GOODS. 46 inch wide all colored Cristallion worth \$1.25 reduced to 75 cts 75 cts 72 cts 44 inch wide all colored Ottoman 1.2540 inch wide Whip Cord—all colors 40 inch wide Henrietta, 1.25 1.25 72 cts 40 inch wide Henrietta 72 cts 5 S pieces 44 inch wi. e all wool Serge 9 pieces 40 inch wide all wool Serge 1.00 49 cts 75 75 50 ets pieces 40 inch wide Jamestown 10 pieces 40 inch wide fancy Serges -1.00 2 pieces 40 inch wide Evening Shades Batiste 44 ets 2 pieces 40 inch wide best English Cashmere all colors 50 pieces 38 mch wide good Euglish Cashmer S pieces 40 incit wide all wool Fancy Dress Goods 0 new styles Fancy Dress Pattern 47 ets 11.00 1.00 6 New styles Fancy Dress Patterns 36 nieces 11 vard wide Broad-cloth 1.25 72 cts 40 pieces 40 inch wide Dress Flannels 371 cts Big line of cheap dress goods that sold at 15, 20 and 25c. reduced to 8, 9 and 124 cts per yard 25 pieces of Cotton Cashmere 27 inches wide which sold at 18 cents, reduced to 10 cents per yard. Best Calico made only 4 cents per yard

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TABLE LINENS,

TOWELS and NAPKINS.

I p'c Bleached Table Linen 70 in wide worth \$1.50 reduced to \$1.12 68 1.25 87 cts 68 1.90 75 cts 64 55 cts 60 65 47 cts 7.5 46 cts 1 piece Cream Table Linen 60 60 10 p'c Best Turkey Red

All toweling and fine line of heavy fringed towels all at first cost. All napkins at first cost; fine line of lunch cloth stamped or plain fringed or without fringe, all at first cost

FOR THIS MONTH ONLY.

## I and SHEFTINGS!

3 pieces 10-4 Bleached Sheeting sold at 30, reduced to 23 cts. 1 piece 6.4 bleached pillow case, sold at 22, reduced 2 pieces 9-4 bleached sheeting, sold at 28, reduced to 21 cts. 10 pieces 30 inch Masonville bleached sold at 1 piece 50 inch pillow case sold at 20 reduced to 15 cts-2 pieces 45 inch pillow case sold at 15 reduced to 12 cts. to 17 ets. 5 pieces 36 inch Fruit of the Loom, sold at 10 reduced to 8 cts. 5 pieces 36 inch Lonsdale, sold at 10 reduced to 8 cts. Good bleached Muslin sold at 10 reduced to 8 cts. Big stock 36 inch Unbleached Muslin that sold at 6, 7, 8 and 9, reduced to 5, 6 and 7 cts. , reduced to 7 cts.

### Embroidery and White Goods. We always carry a large assortment and of the best quality. Also a fine line

of Torchon Laces; you can have your choice for just what they cost us, during the month of January.

## Corsets and Corset Waists.

UNDERWEAR MUST GO.

Ladies Fine Natural Wool, worth..... 75 Ladies Fine Natural Grey, worth
Ladies Eine Merino, worth
Ladies Fine Merino, worth reduced to ..... Ladies Swiss Ribbed, worth..... CHILDRENS UNDERWEAR

All at first cost. Big line of Ladies and Childrens Union Suits.

### CLOAKS and NEWMARKEIS

AT LESS THAN FIRST COST. \$27.00 finest all Wool Beaver Cloak, Fur Trimmed, Velvet Collar and Cuff for........................\$13.50 18.00.... 5.00. All Childrens' Cloaks at just one half what we sold them at before. want to sell every garment in our store, so now is your chance to buy cheap as the Cloaks cost us lots more. Our loss is your gain.

CARPETS AND CURTAINS.

We have a bigger stock of the test All Wool Lowell Carpets in Napoleon We will give you your choice for 60 ceuts per yard. We will seil a good All Wool Carpet at 50 cents per yard; nice Cotton Chain Carpet at 29 cents per yard. Hemp Carpet reduced to 15 cents per yard.

SHAWLS.

We are agents for the Brickner Woolen Mills Shawls—the best all wool Shawls made. We have a hig line to select from in single or double or Bea Shawls. All at FIRST COST during this month.

BLANKETS AND QUILTS.

Bill assortment Western made All Wool Blankets, all at FIRST COST during this month.

FINE SILK UMBRELLAS

At FIRST COST during this month.

BOOTS, SHOES

SLIPPERS.

We have on hand a big lot of Mens' Hand-made Boots that we sold at \$4:00, \$4.50 and \$5.00 a pair—same you can have at .......... \$2.50 per pair Same is a big bargain.

lot Mens' Pengree & Smith fine Calfskin Hand-made Shoes, sold at \$6,00 per pair, reduced to .......4.00 per pair.

1 lot Mens' Pengree & Smith fine Calfskin Hand-made shoes sold at \$3.75, reduced to... \$2.75.

lot Mens' Stone German Calfskin Hand-made Shoes sold at \$3.00, 

4 lots of Mens' fine Shoes sold at ....\$2.75, 2.25, 2.00 and 1.75 reduced to...... \$1.75, 1.50, 1.25 and 1.00 per pair.

All Boys Shoes at First Cost during this Month.

I lot ladies fine Kid Button Shoe worth \$4.00 reduced to ...... 2.75 1 lot ladies fine Kid Button Shoes worth 2.00 reduced to ..... 1.75 reduced to ...... 1-25 1 lot Childrens' fine Kid Button Shoes worth 1.75 reduced to ..... 1.25 3.50 reduced to ..... 2.50 3.00 reduced to ..... 2.00 1.50 reduced to ..... 1.00 3.00 reduced to ..... 2.10 " Misses 2.50 reduced to ...... 1.50 2.50 reduced to ..... 1.75

Ladies, Misses and Childrens' Rubbers only 25 cents a pair. Mens' best first quality Rubber Boots-Wonsocket, Candee, Colchester, at \$2.75 a pair. Big line of Ladies, Misses and Childrens' Rubber Boots all at first cost for this month clearance sale at